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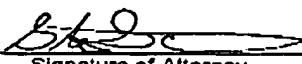
This amendment is filed in response to the Office action dated October 27, 2003 (Paper No. 9). The three month period for responding to the Office action expired on January 27, 2004. Applicants hereby request and petition for a one (1) month extension of time to respond, through February 27, 2004.

By this amendment, there are a total of 58 claims pending in the application (38 in excess of 20), including 4 independent claims (1 in excess of 3). Please charge the \$770 extra-claim fee and the \$110 extension of time fee to our Deposit Account No. 16-0820, Order No. 33253US1.

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